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Even with shuttle, students say parking 'terrible'

Despite the low numbers, Woodmar Shuttle will continue for two weeks

TERRIE HENDERSON
Editor in Chief

Despite low numbers on the Park and Ride Shuttle Service bus the first week, the shuttle will continue to run for the next two weeks of the semester to help alleviate the parking problem.

"Regardless of the numbers, we made a pledge," Wes Lukoshus, assistance vice chancellor for advancement said. The pledge he is referring to is the pledge to continue the shuttle for the next two weeks.

On the first day of classes, 45 people road the shuttle to school. The second day saw an increase, with 85 people using the shuttle service.

Lukoshus said of the passengers who rode the bus, "Some of the early responses from students were that they would like to see the shuttle continue all semester long."

Lukoshus said some upper-classmen drove directly to the mall and didn't even try to park on the campus lot.

But Joanne Marinkovich, a pre-med senior, was adamant against riding the shuttle.

"I'm not taking a stupid bus. I'm not in elementary school," she said.

"I'm not leaving my house an

hour and a half earlier than I have to."

Lukoshus said the first week of the program went by without any problems. On the first day, a situation occurred due to road construction on Indianapolis Boulevard, and the shuttle had to be temporarily re-routed, but it caused no problems.

"We believe that we have provided a valuable service," Lukoshus said.

Overall, most students believe parking at PUC has been challenging.

"It's horrible. It's impossible to find a spot," said Miquel Sardoval, a junior majoring in human resources.

Sardoval said he drove past the Woodmar Mall lot, but was confused. He did not think that a shuttle was even running, because he saw no cars in the lot.

"I didn't see any cars there," he said.

Emily Taylor, an electrical engineering senior and Interservice Christian Fellowship follow-up coordinator, said of the shuttle bus, "I don't know anyone who is using it."

Lukoshus said that Chartwell's coupons were not handed out the first week due to an issue beyond their control. The coupons for the dining services will be handed out at the shuttle next week.



Photo provided by University Relations

Maureen Marthaler, nursing professor, boards the Park and Ride Shuttle bus during the first week of the fall semester.

PUC students frustrated, offer suggestions

TERRIE HENDERSON
Editor in Chief

On the PUC campus lots, students are having many problems finding parking, but despite the "terrible" parking problems, many have suggestions on how to improve the current situation.

Emily Taylor, a senior majoring in electrical engineering and Interservice Christian Fellowship follow-up coordinator, said on the first day of class she arrived at school at 10:30 a.m. She said she drove around the campus lot for 20 minutes and finally found a spot. But then something happened.

"Someone pulled in in front of me," she said. "It was very frustrating."

Joanne Marinkovich, a pre-med senior, said the whole parking situation is inconvenient. Marinkovich, who lives about an hour from the campus, had to park

at a friend's house near campus.

"I was late to class, this is very irritating," she said. "With all the road construction, it's bad enough. There are traffic jams all over the place."

Marinkovich said that as a result of having to spend so much time in her car, she loses valuable time for other things.

"Instead of spending more time studying, I spend more time in the car," she said.

Stephanie Caldwell, a junior majoring in elementary education, said the parking situation was "terrible."

"I'd pay \$50 to get a parking permit to have a spot," Caldwell said.

Caldwell said that on the first day of class, she saw a pregnant woman walking from her parking spot, which was far away from any building. Caldwell sympathized with this woman; it wasn't long ago that she was also an expecting mother.

Caldwell said the university

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Stephanie Caldwell
junior, elementary education

should take into account that there are pregnant women who take classes on campus. Adding some reserved spots for pregnant women is a needed step.

Others seem disillusioned about the parking problem.

Emmalena Colon, a junior majoring in communications, said, "It doesn't matter what I think, they are not going to listen to us."

Colon said she noticed that the faculty parking spaces on the lot south of the SFLC building increased since last semester. She

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Election Coverage 2004: Part 1

Media coverage of presidential election sparks student interest

JORDAN HESTERMANN
News Editor

With the high amount of media coverage on the 2004 Presidential Election, students speak out about what they think of the campaigning.

"I feel so bad about politics in general, that either choice would be bad (Bush or Kerry)," Heather Kadar, a senior majoring in psychology, said.

Ritha Logan, a senior majoring in early childhood development, said she does not agree with what Bush and Kerry are doing.

"I don't feel good about how

things are going. It's immoral to me. They are fighting against each other," Logan said.

One student noted her skepticism about the way the election will go after the recount in 2000.

"With the way the last election went, you don't know what's going to go down," Octavia Bridges, a sophomore majoring in secondary education and mathematics, said.

Many students expressed confusion in the status of the candidates.

"Bush is conservative. He does not believe in gay marriages

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ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

Thanks for your patience & understanding

Week 1 of the fall semester proved to be eventful in many ways. We commend and appreciate the patience and understanding demonstrated by students in dealing, not only with the inevitable challenges of a new academic year, but also relative to our reduced campus parking situation.

As previously reported, ongoing construction of our 860-space parking garage is resulting in a net temporary loss of 200 spaces. To help alleviate the loss, the university has arranged for overflow parking at nearby Woodmar Mall, Monday-Thursday, through Sept. 16. A free *Park & Ride* bus shuttle provides pick-up and drop-off service between the south end of the mall and campus for those who park at the mall.

The shuttle runs from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. and makes stops every 15 minutes at the mall and four campus locations: PER Building, Lawshe Hall west side, Founders Plaza (171st Street & Woodmar Avenue) and Anderson Circle Drive. Note the schedule below.

Though ridership has been relatively moderate, response to the service from those who have used it has been positive. For example:

- *"This has worked out (well) for me. I wish you offered this for the whole school year."*
- *"I'd rather do this than ride around for 45 minutes looking for a space. What a waste of gas! I figured I'd just come straight here (the mall) and forget the frustration."*
- *"I wanted to let you know how great the Park & Ride was this morning. Being the first rider, I arrived at the last stop in front of the CLO in less than 15 minutes."*

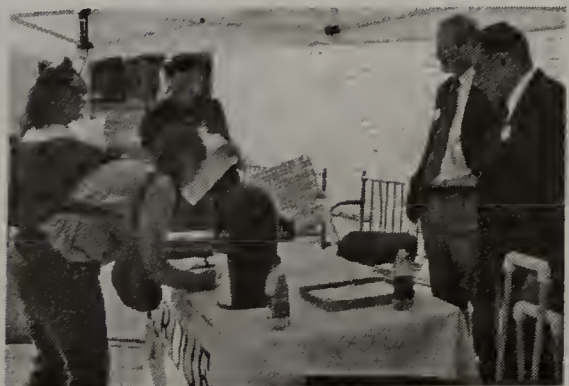
The *Park & Ride* bus schedule is as follows:

- Woodmar Mall, south lot, top of the hour and 15, 30 and 45 minutes after the hour;
- Physical Education Recreation Building, 10, 25, 40 and 55 minutes after the hour;
- Lawshe Hall, 15, 30, 45 and 60 minutes after the hour;
- Founders Plaza, 5, 20, 35 and 50 minutes after the hour; and
- Anderson Circle Drive, 10, 25, 40 and 55 minutes after the hour.

The university patrols both campus and mall parking lots. Anyone who rides the shuttle will receive coupons for free beverages on campus. Additional information may be obtained by contacting University Police at ext. 2220.

A note on saving time...and footsteps!

The shuttle bus program also can be helpful for students who don't *Park & Ride* from Woodmar Mall. Anyone who parks at the south end of campus where there tends to be more available parking can park near the Physical Education Recreation Building, then ride the shuttle north to Lawshe Hall, Founders Plaza or the Anderson building. However, please be advised that there's no direct return shuttle route from the north end of campus south.



Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Quality Programs Beth Pellicciotti (background, from left), Chancellor Howard Cohen and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Nabil Ibrahim helped welcome and greet last week at Woodmar Mall students using the *Park & Ride* bus shuttle.

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What's Goin' On?

A look around campus

CCLD sets up website for student feedback on SGA

The Office of Student Life and Activities has set up a website, mystudent.gov.com, where students can post their comments and suggestions while restructuring of the Student Government Association is in progress. For more information on the restructuring process, call Evelyn Bottando at (219) 989-2369 or (219) 989-2886, or leave a comment on the website.

Diabetes Research team kicks off its fundraising events

The PUC Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation team will be kicking off its fundraising efforts Sept. 7 from 9:40 until 11:00 a.m. in Gyte 107. Anyone interested in participating in or supporting the walk to cure diabetes should attend. There will be free gifts given every five minutes. To find out more call Maureen Marthaler at (219) 989-2838 or Tina Schmidt-McNulty at (219) 989-2175.

On Campus blood screenings for faculty, staff and students

On-campus blood screenings begin Sept. 15 and go through Oct. 1. To schedule an appointment go online to http://esc.calumet.purdue.edu/athletic/wellness_event/index.asp or call (219) 989-2709.

PUC Library subscribes to new database for student use

The Library has subscribed to Lexis-Nexis, an online database for finding information. To access this and other library databases, go to <http://www.calumet.purdue.edu/library/databasesandresearch.html>.

New fall specialty classes beginning at the Fitness Center

The Fitness Center is offering a variety of specialty classes this fall. These classes include yoga, Pilates and cardio kickboxing. All classes are \$50 for each six week session or free to Fitness Center members. Also, the Fitness Center will soon be offering balance and tai chi classes. For more detailed information contact the Fitness Center at (219) 989-2175.

Musicians needed to begin formation of pep band

Students are seeking to form a pep band at PUC. Anyone interested in joining should call Emil Lulich at (219) 989-2095.

Multiple Sclerosis Society to sponsor walk to fight MS

The Indiana chapter of National Multiple Sclerosis Society is sponsoring a walk for multiple sclerosis on Sept. 12. Check-in is at 8:30 a.m. at PUC with the walk starting at 10 a.m. Visit www.msindiana.org to find out more about the MS walk.

"Catsplay" looking for actors to fill cast; auditions to take place

Open auditions for "Catsplay" are on Sept. 12 from 3 to 5 p.m. in SFLC 353. Six women and three men are needed to fill the cast. All technical support, crew and props, costumes and makeup people should also attend the audition. For more information contact Corya Channing at (219) 989-2267 or email her at channing@calumet.purdue.edu

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The Chronicle seeks students interested in writing, editing, designing, photography and selling ads. Interested students should contact Kendra Jessen at (219) 989-2547.

PUC Gamers' Guild seeks students to play game

Purdue University Gamers' Guild will be meeting on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Gamers will be playing a "never-before-seen" version of "A Vampire," a masquerade game set in Spain. PUGG also plans to do reviews on new game systems and game-related books. To attend a meeting e-mail pucpugg@yahoo.com

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New director composes change in the English Department

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After a national search for candidates, LizBeth Bryant, assistant professor of English, recently began directing the composition program for the Department of English and Philosophy.

Dennis Barbour, head of the Department of English and Philosophy, said Bryant was the department's first choice of three finalists for director of composition.

Barbour said that Bryant has an effective classroom-teaching style, which was seen during the interview process. Bryant is the first new tenure-track hire in the department in four years.

Bryant coordinates the freshman composition program as well as serves as the department's chair of the freshman year committee. She also teaches the practicum class graduate students participate in before teaching English 104.

Kevin Clyne, a graduate student seeking licensure in English teaching, said he greatly enjoyed the practicum experience and he is looking forward to taking his knowledge into the classroom. "Bryant has brought forward the idea that we should set up our classes to help make everyone 'better writers, readers and thinkers,' as she has

oft said, not just qualify them for a narrow set of academic achievements," Clyne said.

As one of her first duties as director of composition, Bryant served on a committee this summer that chose the new book used in English 104, "A Call to Write." Bryant said the book was selected because it deals with various types of writing in everyday life.

Michal Mitol, a continuing lecturer in the Department of English and Philosophy, believes the changes implemented will renew interest and enthusiasm in the composition program.

"The new text will allow various approaches to teaching first semester freshman composition while remaining focused on the shared course outcomes. I think the book is a welcome change," Mitol said.

Bryant said she has many plans and goals for the composition program. One is to pull the Writing Center into the composition courses more directly. Another includes spreading awareness of the writing process to other academic departments within the university. She plans on integrating input from the Northwest Indiana Writing Project into the composition program. Also, she wants to increase the program's web presence in order to better let people across the university know what the program does.

Another of her goals is creating a community of discussion about the importance of writing, not only within the English

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LizBeth Bryant,
director of composition

Department, but throughout the university and eventually reaching beyond PUC. She said that such a community would help instructors be better teachers of writing.

"Good teachers support and help students to become better writers. They are the building block of a good writing program," she said.

Bryant said she has found the people in the Department of English and Philosophy, and PUC overall, to be very welcoming. She said that she likes many aspects of the composition program that were already established.

"We have a strong Writing Center that's open many hours. (I also like) the professional writing program, the strong aspect of internships they send students out to do," she said.

Barbour said that in addition to her style and personality, her experience with a regional campus and her administrative experience were reasons why she was selected as director of composition.

Bryant received her doctorate in composition from the University of South Florida. She came to Purdue University Calumet from Ohio State University - Mansfield, which is also a regional campus. During her six years there, Bryant started and directed a site of the National Writing Project. Before that, Bryant was the assistant director of the writing program at Texas A & M Corpus Christi.

Barbour said her publication record was another plus.

Bryant wrote a book on college composition that is due out in February or March 2005. She has published several articles on subjects including portfolio assessment and argument textbooks. She is also one of three editors of the book "Grading in the Post-Process Classroom: From Theory to Practice."

Barbour said she is a "breath of fresh air" and the department is fortunate to have someone of her caliber.

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Improving the look adds friendly feel

PUC continues to spend money on improving campus by building and renovating, however, there is a failure to improve the look of the school.

The only things seen when walking down the hallways are doors, bulletin boards and more hallways. This should be changed in order to give PUC a friendlier atmosphere.

One of the things that could be done is to add artwork to the monotony of wall space. Right now, the only thing that adds any color to the hallways of PUC is the colored paper people use to print their flyers on.

The term "artwork" is often times associated with spending a lot of money; however, it would not cost much for PUC to attain artwork. One of the ways to get artwork is to have students donate it. There are many unknown artists on campus that may want to display their work. Also, if a student did not want to give PUC their art, another option would be to let PUC borrow the art for a period of time. This conveniently allows the student to get exposure and cost effectively allows the hallways to have decorations.

Another reason having student art in the hallways would be good for PUC is that it gives students a vested interest in their school. People tend to feel more interested in something when they have shared in it first-hand. Students that donate or lend their art will feel more of an attachment to PUC, thus helping to increase student retention.

For those not donating art, but just enjoying it while walking up and down the hallways, it will give them more of a feeling of home. It brings more life to campus by decorating the place. Just like a home, it feels better when the furniture is in place and the pictures are hung.

As for furniture, all of the lounges on campus, with the exception of the TV room, have uncomfortable chairs with tables for sitting. Couches would be a great addition to the lounges. It would allow students an opportunity to get away from a chair and sit somewhere else. This is especially important for students that live too far away from home to go there in between classes. Students need some place to sit that will be more comfortable and relaxing.

The couches don't have to be new either. Donated couches would work out just fine, that way PUC does not have to spend a lot of money. Putting a couple of couches in some of the lounges would allow for more student socializing, and rest in between classes, making the on campus experience better for students.

Many students spend more time on campus than they do at home. It would make things better for students if the atmosphere was changed from that of an institution to that of a home, something students can take pride in.

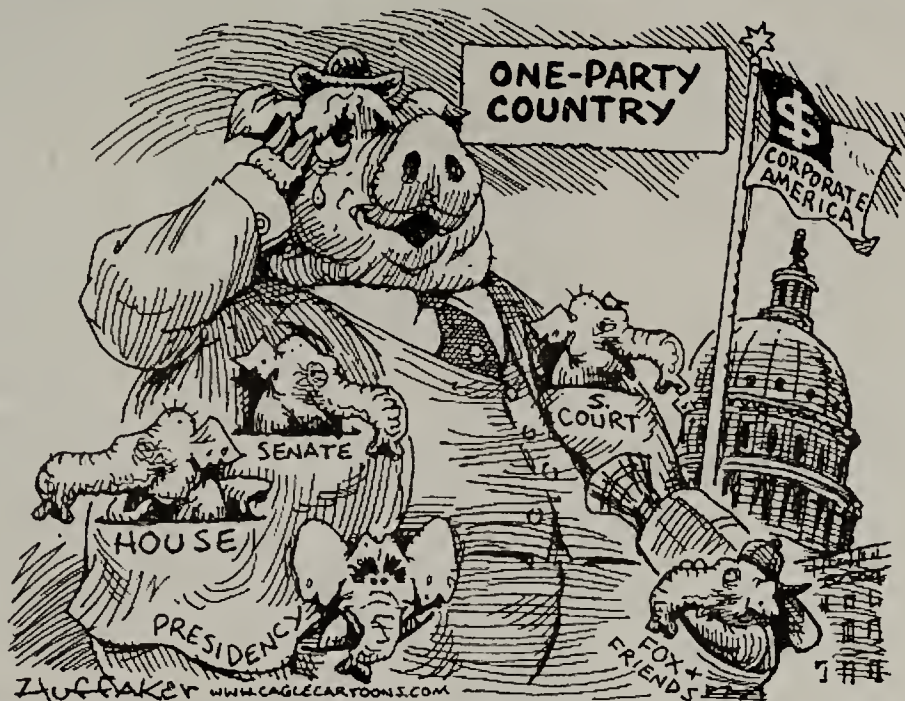
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Letter from the Editor Drive Safely

Dear Campus Community,

Last week, three different members of *The Chronicle* were involved in car accidents; all three of which resulted in the totaling of the vehicle they were driving. The worst injury suffered was a broken leg.

The three *Chronicle* members were all hit by other vehicles, one accident occurred on 80-94, the other two at separate intersections.

The staff was rattled this past week, but will continue to cover the news and events of the school as you have come to expect from us over the past year.

The Chronicle would like to remind the campus community to please drive safely and be alert not only coming to and from school, but at all times.

Remember to wear your seatbelt and not to succumb to road rage.

Don't drink and drive.

Allow yourself plenty of time to get to your destination, and take no chances.

Always watch for other cars and be cautious of what they might do.

Accidents are very traumatic experiences, not only for the people involved, but for their families and friends.

As a commuter campus where the majority not only drives to school, but usually over extended distances, car accidents are a very real danger. Please be careful on the roads.

Those who drive roads ridden with construction should also take extra caution when driving.

The staff would also like to wish Linda, Natalie and Mandy speedy recoveries.

Sincerely,

Terrie Henderson
Editor in Chief

Mischief in the gameroom



DAVE THOMPSON
Sports Editor

The first week of the Fall 2004 semester is over and done, and low and behold... someone has to act like a total goof and violate one of Matt Dudzik's three (not 10 like in the Charleton Heston movie that is shown on Easter, three!) commandments of what not to do concerning the new equipment for the game room in SFLC-104A.

Last week in *The Chronicle*, Mandy Lucious reported that Dudzik would not tolerate vandalized, broken, or stolen equipment in the renovated game room.

Last Tuesday, Gloria Roldan-Schieb, associate director of student life and activities, told Sports Coordinator Matt Dudzik that someone allegedly stole a set of pool balls from SFLC-104A.

Dudzik was not happy when I talked to him the next day. He said this in our conversation: "There's always one person who has got to ruin it for everybody."

As a result, Dudzik had to call Music Vendors, the pool table suppliers, to bring a replacement set of pool balls. On Thursday, I talked to Dudzik some more when I arrived on campus. Turns out that the pool balls were not actually stolen.

When the new pool balls were dropped in the pockets, they did not appear in the holding area of the pool table. Apparently, someone decided to stuff notebook paper into the pockets of the pool table in an attempt to get free games.

The strategy backfired, as pool balls that were thought stolen were actually stuck inside the pool table. Once the paper was removed from the pockets, the original set of pool balls was found, thus there were three sets of pool balls for two pool tables.

The good news: no theft of pool balls at all. The bad news: Music Vendors and student life both incurred costs of time and money while one of the pool tables was knocked out of commission due to the pool balls being stuck. As a result of the pool balls being stuck inside the pool table, the table was not available for students, faculty, and staff to use, all because someone wanted free games.

Did the person who did this even bother to read our article last week saying that Dudzik would not tolerate vandalism, broken or stolen equipment in SFLC-104A? If I were a betting man, I'd put money on the fact that the person who did it didn't read our article at all last week.

So, this week's lesson to all, don't stick paper in the pool table pockets.

If Dudzik or anyone else catches you doing it, you risk criminal charges, getting kicked out of PUC if you are a student or being fired if you are a faculty or staff member.

And if we find out an issue of *The Chronicle* was stuck in the pool table pockets... let's just say Dudzik has my idea for a worse punishment involving Sports Information Director J.B. Lyles.

Let me just say this punishment involves a flagpole, chili and Mr. Lyles, and leave the rest to the imagination.

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PUC Instructor writes book about 'Learning to Learn'

TERRIE HENDERSON
Editor in Chief

Lee Rademacher said that if he could have envisioned his future 20 years ago, he would not have believed where higher education would take him.

In his newly published book, "Learning to Learn: A Philosophical Guide to Learning," Rademacher, Purdue University Calumet academic counselor and instructor, pooled ideas, strategies and experience to encourage people to view education as a transcendental value.

"College exposes people to some really cool ideas," Rademacher said. "As I learned, I felt empowered. Learning made me feel like I could figure out anything in life." For Rademacher, to pass that feeling on to others is an important part of being an educator.

During the past eight years, Rademacher has taught a freshman experience course and has collected materials geared towards succeeding in learning.

In the classroom, Rademacher's students draw pictures of themselves and everything in their lives that defines them. Then, the students are asked to draw a picture of who they will be in the future. This exercise is one of the many ideas presented in his book, which also covers topics such as goal setting

and values.

"Students can look at their lives in the present and add on to that," Rademacher said. "I want them to be inspired to improve their lives and I want them to be empowered to make good choices."

He said most of his students envision a future with a good family, a decent income and general happiness.

"As an instructor, it's amazing to see what the students envision for themselves in the future," Rademacher said.

The book, which was written for a general audience and not only the classroom, focuses on practical approaches to learning. At the end of each chapter there are critical thinking questions so readers can come to

their own conclusions.

Rademacher said the purpose of this book is not to tell people what they must do to accomplish their future goals, but rather a guide to improve the quality of life.

"As a teacher, I hope to be one of those people who facilitates the success of students in the same way many others have facilitated my own success," Rademacher said. "'Learning to Learn' tries to get learners to understand that learning itself is a social endeavor, one which is shared and communicated among persons."

The 140-page book is available and can be purchased at www.iUniverse.com or www.Barnesandnoble.com.

Parking

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questioned why there was an increase in staff parking in this location.

"They added more staff parking. Staff has enough parking, that's never been a problem," Colon said. "Not that many people work in Lawshe."

Colon suggested taking away the majority of the 15 minute parking might help somewhat.

Lyndsey Standish, a senior majoring in biology, said parking in the morning is not a problem for her. She starts her school day at 8 a.m. Instead, Standish encounters

a different problem due to the filled parking lots.

"I'm kind of lucky, but I can't go anywhere," Standish said. "I'm here for 12 hours and I can't even leave for lunch."

Taylor said that despite the frustration, the university is doing what they can.

"I like how they are letting us park in the grass though. That is cool," she said.

Elections

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or abortion, but there is controversy since Cheney's daughter is gay. Also, there was a democratic senator talking at the Republican National Convention which could mean there are problems within the Democratic Party," Simon Forya, a freshman majoring in computer science, said.

"They confuse us. You see the Republican convention and you think they will win. I saw the democratic convention and thought they would win. Both of them have good speakers," Ahmad Alzafiri, a senior majoring in telecommunications, said.

Student awareness of third party candidates was mixed.

"Ralph Nader is a candidate for the independent party," Forya said.

Heather Roed, a freshman majoring in nursing, said she does not really know about third party candidates.

"You don't really hear about other candidates. I couldn't even tell you their names," Roed said.

Another student said he is looking into a third party candidate.

"There are five issues I actually care about: rights of homosexuals, the economy, education, gas prices and foreign policy. Right now I would say Bush would be the better candidate, but I am researching a third party, maybe the libertarians," Damon Spragia, sophomore majoring in social studies teaching, said.

He said he is looking for a third party that he agrees with the ideas of.



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Student Technology Survey Results

This summer CTIS, in conjunction with the Academic Computing Council, surveyed students to determine the technology to which they have access, what technical services are most important, and what additional services they would prefer. What did we learn from the 200+ people who responded

- Students own or have access to: Desktop computers (93%), laptops (39%), cell phone (87%), and PDA (16%)
- The primary operating system used by students: Windows (96%), Mac (2%), and LINUX (2%)
- Students' connection to the Internet: Dial-Up (55%), DSL/Cable (37%)
- The two most frequently used campus lab facilities: The Main Lab (58%) and the Library (29%)
- The four most common uses of lab facilities: Internet access (64%), word processing (51%), email (38%), and printing (43%)
- Most needed service improvements in the labs: longer weekend hours (35%), longer hours at night (30%), and space for group projects (29%)
- Percentage of students who have taken a course entirely online: 43%
- Percentage of students who are very confident or confident in their overall computer skills: 71%
- Most important new services to offer students: Space for group projects (77%), ability to contact someone for assistance (67%), and a website

We have used this information to begin to address the technology needs of the students including offering two project rooms, 24x7 support for WebCT Vista, investigating ways to provide longer access to campus computer resources, and creating a website outlining the various technology services available to students.

Information on these services or the survey can be obtained by contacting Liz Osika, Director of User Services, at osika@calumet.purdue.edu.

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Alumna uses Spanish skills to assist injured Honduras man

TERRIE HENDERSON
Editor in Chief

When Amy Mendoza graduated from PUC last year, she hoped to use her Spanish degree and translation certification to make a difference in the Spanish community.

If her assistance to a severely injured Honduras man, whose medical records she translated into English, are any indication, she is well on her way.

"I apply my education everyday while doing translations and interpretations, as well as when I compose office and professional documents in both Spanish and English," Mendoza said.

She works as a translator/administrative assistant in the city of Hammond's Office of Hispanic Affairs.

Recently, she went about the task of seeking to locate affordable medical care for the Honduras man in Northwest Indiana, where several of his family members reside. She sent letters to churches and organizations to help raise funds. She also scouted hospitals and medical facilities to find an affordable location where the man could receive the treatment he needed.

Mendoza was successful. She found a clinic that matched the man's needs. He will be receiving treatment to recover from his injuries by early fall.

"Once you learn to apply your education in the real world, you really see the value of it," Mendoza said.

"Never be afraid to take another step further from where you are right now," Geoffrey Barrow, professor of Spanish, said. "Translation is a useful skill to offer an employer. Not only can students avoid cultural gaffes (mistakes) in an increasingly global workplace, but the large Midwest Hispanic population offers a ready outlet for this practical, valuable, linguistic skill."

Barrow said Mendoza is a "gifted and accomplished translator."

Earlier this summer, Mendoza attended the National Hispanic Leadership Conference in Washington D.C. She said the opportunity to attend the conference was valuable because she was able to gain exposure and obtain new contacts to better help her community.

"It's a big door that's opened up, not only to benefit me, but the Hispanic population I serve here in Hammond," Mendoza said. "Promote your education. It is a key to doors of opportunity and success."



photo by Terrie Henderson

Amy Mendoza in the Hammond Office of Hispanic Affairs.

Goal of Student Social to have fun, encourage active students

CHRONICLE STAFF REPORT

Student Life and Activities and New Student Orientation, two units from the Center for Career and Leadership Development, will host a Student Social Friday, September 17 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in Alumni Hall. Christopher Carter, a nationally known hypnotist and mentalist, will perform.

Pre-ticket sales begin this week. There is a \$1 donation for tickets sold in advance and a \$2 donation for tickets sold at the door. The money from ticket sales will be used on a community service project. The social is open to the first 500 tickets sold.

"I think this is going to be a really great opportunity for students to get to know one another and to build a sense of community on campus," Kristin Harkin, assistant director of orientation, said. "Many new students at PUC 101 were excited to attend the social and get involved in campus activities."

Student organizations will also be present to compete for prizes and recruit new students for their organizations. Gloria Roldan-Schieb, associate director for student life and activities, said the student social will be beneficial to student organizations and new students alike.

"It's going to be a great opportunity for student organizations to build their membership and become more active. It's all about networking, building skills, and



Photo provided

Christopher Carter, a nationally known hypnotist and mentalist, will perform at the Student Social.

putting to use the ideas and concepts you learn in the classroom," she said.

New students in attendance will also have the opportunity to win a free laptop, sponsored by UPS. New students who attended the PUC 101 orientations sessions had the opportunity to enter their name in the drawing. The winner of the laptop will be drawn at the social, and only new students who are present are eligible to win.

For more information on the student social, call (219) 989-4160.

New Webiste promotes SGA feedback

CHRONICLE STAFF REPORT

In an effort to get the ball rolling on the restructuring of the SGA, the office of Student Life and Activities has set up a new website, MyStudentGov.com, where students can post their comments and suggestions while restructuring is in process.

"This is a great way to stay in touch with the needs of the students as we get ready for elections in April," said Eve Bottando, the graduate aide in charge of the restructuring process. Bottando will also be using the sight as a form of a "Blog," where she will keep a regular journal of her ideas and activities.

Posts have already been made by Bottando and Rick Riddering, director of the Center for Career and Leadership Development. Riddering said, "It is essential that we have open dialogue with our

campus community, especially our students as we form the student government. It needs to really be a government of the students, by the students and for the students. We've got a good thing ahead of us."

The website is one of many tools that Bottando will keep in touch with the campus community.

"Many innovative ideas are in the works to get as many of the students as possible personally involved in this process," Bottando said.

For more information on the restructuring process, Bottando will be available to meet personally with interested students during her office hours in room SFLC 324F.

For more information, call Bottando at (219) 989-2369. She said students are also encouraged to leave comments on the website.

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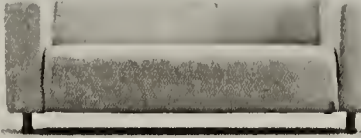
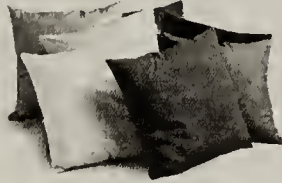
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A Saturday full of entertainment, crafts and popcorn

KENDRA JESSEN
Managing Editor

Twenty-six years ago residents of the city of Valparaiso set out to honor one of their own for bringing jobs to the community with his thriving popcorn plant. They decided on a festival to be held every Saturday after Labor Day to recognize the popcorn giant Orville Redenbacher. This became known as Valparaiso's Popcorn Festival.

This year the Popcorn Festival will feature more than 500 food and craft booths, games, rides, live entertainment, a five-mile run and the nation's only "Popcorn Parade." The festival is being held Saturday, Sept. 11, in downtown Valparaiso from 7 a.m. until 6:30 p.m.

The festival's attendance was 20,000 the first year and has continued to grow since then. Even though the popcorn plant closed more than five years ago, the festival has continued with attendance between 60 and 75,000 people.

This year at 7 a.m. the festival will begin with a "9-11 Moment of Reflection" as the food and crafts booths open.

"The Popcorn Panic 5M Run

and Popcorn 5K Walk" will begin at 7:30 a.m. Pre-registration is required to participate in this event. It is available at the Valparaiso Parks Department, Blythe's Sport Shop and on the

float builders to build out of popcorn.

The festival will also feature two stages for regional music acts. Both stages will open at noon following the parade. They will both remain open until 6:30 p.m.

The main stage, which is located on the corner of Lincolnway and Washington Street, will feature musical acts: Rare Earth, Cook & Belle, Takabite and the Crawlpuddies.

The Poppin Fest Stage, located in the Memorial Opera House Parking lot on Indiana Avenue, will feature Electric X, Planetary Blues Band, Big Blue, Cosmic Slop and Methuselah. Be sure to look up to the sky for hot air balloons around 5:30 p.m. because the 13th Annual Kiwanis Hot Air Balloon Show will be happening at the Porter County Expo Center. The Kiwanis will be launching their balloons and lighting them up for their "Launch & Glow" show.

The Popcorn

Festival has activities and events that appeal to everyone. It is a fun

way to spend an otherwise boring Saturday afternoon, shopping through the craft booths, listening to local bands, and of course, eating popcorn.

Valparaiso is located directly off U.S. 30 east. Parking is plentiful downtown and shuttles run all day. For more information on the festival visit www.popcornfest.org.



Photo provided by www.popcornfest.org

The Valparaiso Popcorn Festival, which will be held Saturday, Sept. 11 from 7 a.m. until 6:30 p.m., is fun for all ages. It features games, crafts, food and entertainment.

The Popcorn Festival Main Stage

Corner of Lincolnway and Washington Streets

noon - 1:15 p.m.

Rare Earth

1:15 - 1:45 p.m.

Awards

1:45 - 3:15 p.m.

Cook & Belle

3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Takabite

5:15 - 6:30 p.m.

the Crawlpuddies

The Poppin Fest Stage

Memorial Opera House Parking Lot on Indiana Avenue

noon- 1:00 p.m.

Electric X

1:15 - 2:30 p.m.

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A year of simple French life

KENDRA JESSEN
Managing Editor

Life in Provence, France, as described by a foreigner, British author Peter Mayle, takes the reader through a year of the simple life, filled with beautiful weather, good food and great wine.

Mayle's national bestselling novel, "A Year in Provence," takes place in 1989 when he and his wife realize their life-long dream and move into an old stone farmhouse in the remote country of the mountainous Lubéron National Park in Provence, France.

The book is broken into 12 chapters, one chapter for each month of the year. Through these chapters Mayle discusses his everyday life in his new home.

The book is easy to read and so interesting that at times it's hard to put down. It transports you into a life that's slow-moving, yet always has something going on, whether it's a gourmet lunch or dinner, a goat race in town or a trip to the local market, which is filled with freshly-baked bread.

Mayle describes the differences between the French and the

English, including their work ethic. He discussed his bouts with the local contractors he hired to remodel his 200-year-old home. Because life in Provence is so relaxed, the contractors, who are also Mayle's new friends, have a tendency to take two-hour lunches or other jobs before finishing their original task, his house.

Finally, in the last chapter of the book Mayle and his wife come up with a witty plan that forces the contractors to finish.

He also goes into numerous, funny accounts of his British acquaintances, some of which he only met once in his life, calling him over the summer and asking if they could spend their summer holiday in his house for a week or two.

The French love their food and Mayle didn't forget to mention this. He discusses the types of foods, including the famous truffle mushrooms and foie gras, that the French eat, the many courses that they go through in one dinner, the wine that goes along with it and the conversation that takes place as everyone continues to drink more and more of the wine.

Since wine is extremely important to the French, Mayle explains



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The Lubéron National Park lies in the heart of Provence, France. British author Peter Mayle, realized his dreams when he moved to the Luberon to enjoy the simple French life and was able to write his book, "Life in Provence."

to writers the wine-making process because to his benefit, his home came complete with almost six acres of vines growing up the

mountain in his backyard.

Overall, Mayle transports the reader into another world with this book, the French world.

This is a world where people take pleasure in the simple life, take time for their meals and enjoying each other's company.

Peregrine Falcons

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A medium sized bird of prey that has captivated bird watchers everywhere is making a dramatic comeback in its battle of survival. Known as "The Fastest birds in the air" due to their ability to exceed 100 miles per hour during their dives for food, these royal-looking falcons are a joy to observe.

The Peregrine's battle to avoid extinction has been a long one. There are few natural threats to the Peregrine, but man made chemicals have been a major problem. The use of DDT which began after World War II was and is a major hazard to all birds of prey. Since the use of DDT was stopped in 1970 in the United States, the Peregrine has been on a steady rebound.

The Peregrine exists on every continent except Antarctica and has a home range of nearly 30 miles. Though originally known as a cliff dwelling bird, the reestablished population has taken to living and nesting on bridges, towers and tall buildings.



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Violent Femmes heat up Chill Festival

Twenty-four years of 'American Music'

NATALIE WAHLBERG
Entertainment Editor

The Violent Femmes headlined the Chill Festival at Chicago's New City YMCA on Aug. 22. The three-day festival of food, hippie favors, beer and music, featured the bands Los Lobos, Umphrey's Magee, Frisbee and many more.

Victor De Lorenzo, Gordon

Gano and Brian Ritchie, Milwaukeean founders of the Femmes since 1980, took the stage at 8 p.m. and were the final band of Sunday's performance. They exploded with their classic tunes such as "Country Death Song," "Good Feelings" and "Jesus Walking on the Water."

For their status as a three-piece, they truly play like a little bit of every possible musical style. The hints of blues, punk, country, pop,

rock, gospel and anything else they can throw into a blender definitely adds to their intrigue and charm. Rightly so, they have been labeled the classic American cult band. Their fan base stretches from college students to college alumni to teenagers, from punks to hippies to anyone who's heard of them. The Femmes make fans instantly.

The Femmes played an astonishing set, complete with two of my all-time favorite tunes, "Fall Out the Window" and "What Do I Have to Do?"

They also included local artists in their set, including two trumpeters, a tuba player, a maraca man and most notably, Jason Loveall,

the former fiddler from the local Irish punk rock band, the Tossers. Loveall is currently in an alternative-country band, the Siderunners. (The only reason he gets a mention is because I am a diehard Tossers fan). The lights went down after they had closed with the final "Good night!" from "Kiss Off." I could hardly believe my eyes when they came back out for a second encore. With all of my heart, I knew it was because of the crowd's energy and the immense amount of cheering.

They played "American Music" with the entire local musician orchestra and it was good night for real.

I perpetually believe the most recent show I've seen is best but this time; I think I'm totally right on. I've seen the Femmes live twice and nearly worn out their albums from over-listening. The crowd participation was outstanding and not only did the Femmes play to their best musically, they played with such fan-oriented tenacity. I was overcome.

The Violent Femmes are one of the most musically impressive and the biggest crowd-pleasers I have ever seen in my history of concert-going. After 24 years, they are still a great band to rock out to and an even better night out.

Sarah McLachlan lights up stage on 'Afterglow' tour

KENDRA JESSEN
Managing Editor

After a five-year break from touring, singer-songwriter Sarah McLachlan graced the stage with her presence at the United Center in Chicago on August 31 where she performed for nearly two hours to an almost sold-out crowd.

McLachlan, a three-time Grammy winner, is touring in support of her most recent album, "Afterglow", which was released in late 2003, six years since the release of her last studio album, "Surfacing."

Those six years have brought many changes to McLachlan's life including marriage, the birth of her daughter and the death of her mother.

Those changes are evident not only in her songwriting, but in her stage presence as well. McLachlan has always been extremely modest, especially for the woman who has sold over 22 million records since her 1988 release, "Touch," founded the three-year Lillith Fair tour and has had cover stories in Rolling Stone, Time and Entertainment Weekly.



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Sarah McLachlan made her way to Chicago for the first time in five years on her "Afterglow" tour. She performed for nearly two hours, all the while thanking everyone in the crowd for their continued support.

This tour seemed to humble her even more as she thanked the crowd profusely for coming to her show, all the while saying how surprised she was at everyone's continued support after her long break from music.

She took time to talk to the crowd about childbirth and her struggles with post-partum depression, saying how much her life changed when she walked into the hospital as two and came out as three.

She said her husband, Ashwin Sood, who is also her band's drummer, was extremely supportive of her during those times. She even wrote one of her newer songs, "Push," for him and dedicated it to him at the concert. McLachlan, Sood and their 2-year-old daughter India are spending "Afterglow's" entire world tour together as a family.

McLachlan seemed truly happy about her life right now; she was smiling constantly the whole night and stealing loving glances at her husband.

The stage had two sets of steps, one set next to the drums and one set next to the piano.

McLachlan made sure to use both sides of the stage, making the concert seem even more relaxed as her and her band mates

sat together on these steps and performed some of her slower songs.

She said how fun this tour has been because she had so many songs to choose from, that she could perform all her favorites.

She performed songs that went as far back as her 1993 release, "Fumbling Towards Ecstasy." She admitted that this older album was her most depressing, but did say, "I am in a much better place now."

The crowd was older with the majority of the fans in their 20s and 30s. Everyone seemed to know all the songs McLachlan performed. She had the crowd singing along to one of her older songs, "Ice Cream" and she had them dancing to one of her previous singles, "Sweet Surrender."

The crowd cheered loudly after the show and McLachlan seemed thrilled at the enthusiasm because she came out for two encores. The concert ended with her on the piano performing one of her new songs, "Dirty Little Secret."

She bowed to the crowd after her final encore and said "thank you" countless times, leaving as gracefully as she had entered.

Crown Point Square's secret: Madalyn's home cooked hot dogs

NATALIE WAHLBERG
Entertainment Editor

Crown Point residents know the secret to summer: Madalyn's home cooked hot dogs.

Madalyn Beasley has spent her May to October afternoons, from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., selling hot dogs at the corner of the Crown Point Courthouse on Main Street.

The hand painted sign atop her cart reads Madalyn's Coney Style Hot Dogs and Polish. She began her business 16 years ago in the same spot. She works with her husband, Jim, and her children, Dana and Daryl.

"Hot dogs were my favorite food when I was a little girl," Beasley said. "And I love to be outdoors."

The four-person line waits patiently in the afternoon sun, as other satisfied customers are seated along the concrete rim between the Courthouse lawn and sidewalk. They have lined up for her Chicago style brats, dogs and homemade ingredients. Beasley makes her fresh relish and creamy slaw from scratch nightly.

With \$2.75 being the highest price for lunch, and Beasleys' genuine pleasure to see repeat customers, who doesn't understand the lunch goers' tolerance?

Emma Admonis, a local resident, said that

Madalyn's hot dogs were her ideal for lunch. "They're great, delicious. And good customer service," she said.

Beasley decided to open her own stand because of her love of hot dogs.

"I was always the one to order a hot dog, anywhere. Even when I was a little girl," she said.

Other customers appreciate her entrepreneurship; Mike Brown, of Calumet City, is a huge fan of Madalyn and her dogs.

"It's such a unique flavor and taste," he said.

Brown said that he'd been enjoying Madalyn's lunchtime delights for four years now, whenever he happens to be visiting his brother.

Pat Salach, a Crown Point resident, said that she stops for a hot dog because of Madalyn.

"She's great. She does it all by herself. It's homemade. Not processed," she said.

Beasley said that the second best part about selling hot dogs was meeting all the people that stop by her stand.

After my interviews, I bought a polish dog topped with ketchup, mustard, onions, homemade relish and creamy slaw. The bun was warmed from the steam but not soggy. The polish had been boiled but at that perfect temperature when there are no burns incurred



photo by Natalie Wahlberg

Madalyn Beasley serves hot dogs to her lunch customers on the Crown Point Square. Her hot dogs are a favorite amongst her regular patrons.

from eating it quickly.

My total was \$2.25 and as I sat on the perimeter of the courthouse under a tree, I realized the charm of Madalyn's was not only the food but relaxing under the shade and watching the cars go around the square.

Madalyn promised hot dogs with her stand but she offered all of her customers a break from their lives on their lunch.

Needless to say, that hot dog was fabulous.

To Fort Wayne and beyond



DAVE THOMPSON
Sports Editor

One thing crossed my mind traveling home from the TUFW campus after watching the PUC Men's Soccer Club on Aug. 28. Thank (insert religious deity here) it wasn't a forfeit.

While the match started off bad with only eight PUC players starting the game, 11 players did eventually play on a hot, humid sticky day in Fort Wayne despite the fact they are not yet an intercollegiate team competing in the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference. The players who played that day, they have my respect, even though they should definitely learn to work better as a team (Take notes, soccer club).

For the players who skipped the Fort Wayne trip and had been practicing this summer, ask yourself whether your not going to Fort Wayne helps the team succeed. My guess, judging from what happened, is you let them down big time.

If you have a valid reason such as working to make ends meet, that's one thing. But some may wonder why I decided to travel to Fort Wayne for a team that is not even intercollegiate yet?

The short answer: To get the story. Enough said.

Over the last few years, the folks at fitness, wellness and sports have been working (gradually) to bring back intercollegiate sports at PUC. Considering Chancellor Cohen has invested millions in student housing, to not plan for future intercollegiate athletics would make me seriously wonder about Cohen's leadership at PUC.

In the last year or so, four club sports have either developed or are trying to develop. Last year saw the formation of a soccer club and track club. While the track club disbanded, the soccer club is in position to play an intercollegiate schedule (Jensen hopes) in the CCAC next year.

Also in the last week, assistant sports coordinator Pete Fagan Jr. started taking signups for both a baseball and a softball club. He plans to have signup forms in the CLO Building this week, so if you are interested, sign up.

Finally, in our staff e-mail this week, Emil Lulich, one of the employees in the PER Building, is trying to form a PUC pep band. Being a musician myself, I hope Rob Jensen has more details of what he plans to do concerning this group. If you are interested, call Emil at extension 2095.

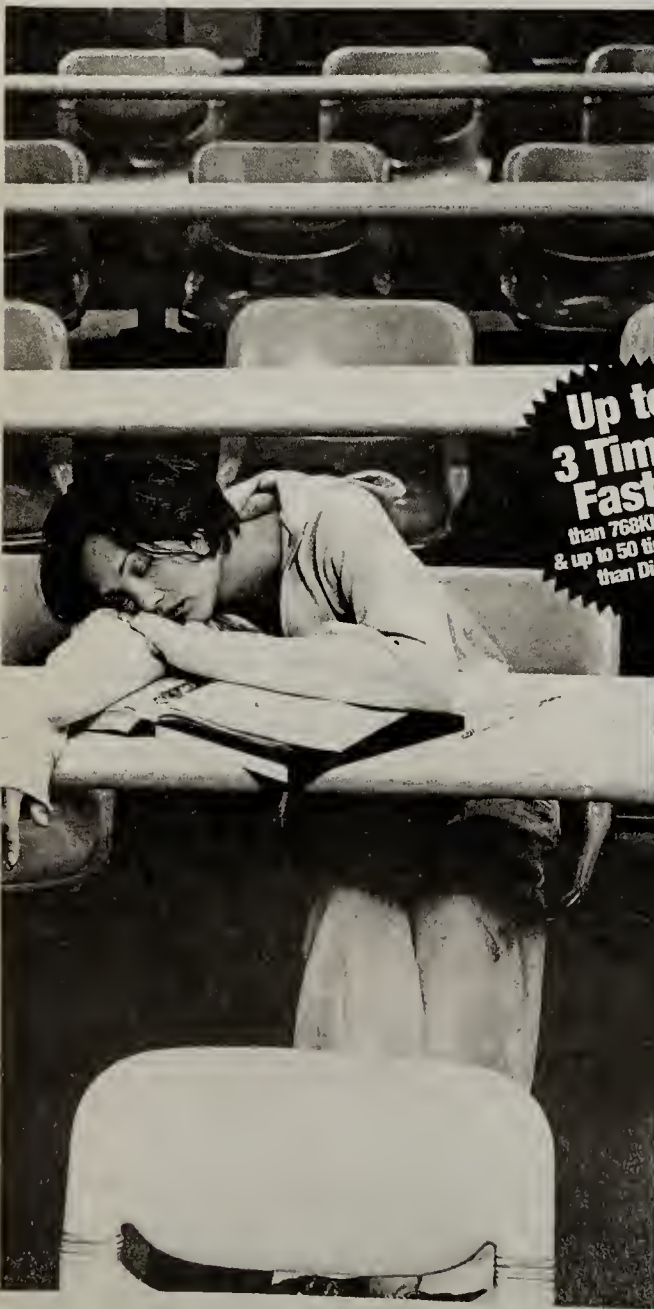
Soccer Club Schedule

PUC home games are at Dowling Park, just off of Kennedy Avenue and I-80/94

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Date:	Visiting Team:	Home Team:	Start Time (Record):
Saturday, Aug. 28	PUC - 2	TUFW - 7	(0-1-0)
Friday, Sept. 10	Fair Haven Baptist	Purdue Calumet	4:00 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 11 *	Purdue Calumet	Calumet College St. Joseph	2:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 17	Purdue Calumet	Fair Haven Baptist	5:00 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 24	Trinity International	Purdue Calumet	4:00 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 2	Purdue Calumet	St. Francis	1:00 p.m.
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Men's Soccer Club loses road opener against Taylor University Fort Wayne

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FORT WAYNE, Ind. - Starting a soccer match with eight players is just asking for trouble, especially if the other team starts with 11 players.

That is what happened to the PUC Men's Soccer Club in their opening match against the Taylor University Fort Wayne Falcons on Aug. 28. Head coach Dale Moore, his son Derek, Jose Ruacho and Craig Gard arrived to the match late after being stopped by police for speeding.

As a direct result, Ryan Kubly scored three first-half goals, and four for the game, in propelling TUFW to a 7-2 victory. Stefan Hutchins, a sophomore majoring in second-

ary education, was hoping to win the first match against TUFW.

Hutchins said that a soccer team needs "every man when playing 11 on 11" and that if a team is more than one man down, it puts the team at a disadvantage. Hutchins felt that while PUC moved the ball well, they could not recover once the rest of the team arrived because TUFW attacked with four or five players on offense in the early minutes of the match while they were undermanned.

Darren Zancan, a junior majoring in elementary education who played goalie against TUFW, agreed with Hutchins about needing the other players.

Zancan said that having only eight players in the first 15 minutes of the match and the team being slightly out of shape "threw our game off." Zancan believes that if everyone arrived on time, the end result would have

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PUC Men's Soccer Club Goalie*

been different.

"I think we would have won the game if we had the three players and the coach," Zancan said.

Milan Dakic, a junior in computer networking who scored PUC's two goals, agreed with Zancan and Hutchins. Dakic said that the results of the match "would have been better if everyone showed up."

Hutchins said that the team should have adopted more of a defensive posture to start the match, as they started three players on defense, three in midfield, one forward and one goalie. In addition to being affected by the heat and humidity in Fort Wayne, six players did not make the road trip, which left the team with no substitute players available.

"Playing a full 90 minutes without subs is tough," Hutchins said. "We weren't used to playing in that heat."

Dakic agreed with Hutchins about the lack of substitute players at the match.

"We didn't play bad, but we needed the subs," Dakic said.

Zancan is hoping for the best in their next match, scheduled for 4:00 this Friday afternoon against Fair Haven Baptist at Dowling Park.

"We will be prepared physically to play the best soccer we possibly can. I guarantee a victory," Zancan said about this Friday's

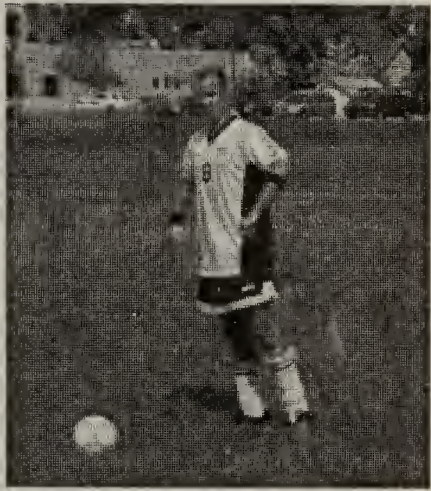


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Sophomore Valdan Dubroja does a passing drill before the start of the first men's soccer club match against Taylor University Fort Wayne on Aug. 28. TUFW scored 4 goals in the first half in route to a 7-2 win.

scheduled match against Fair Haven Baptist.

Hutchins just hopes more players are available to help in the upcoming matches against Fair Haven and the match scheduled for this Saturday afternoon at 2:00 against Calumet College of St. Joseph.

"I'm hoping guys show up," Hutchins said. "As long as we play as a team instead of individuals, we should have a chance of doing well both Friday and Saturday."



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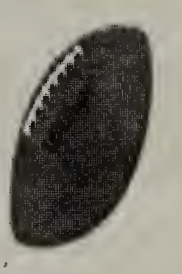
Junior Fernando Rodriguez stretches in an attempt to loosen up before the soccer club's first match against Taylor University Fort Wayne.

Correction

In last week's story about the Bell family, Connie's husband and Brian's father is misidentified as George. His actual first name is Craig.

The Chronicle apologizes for the error.

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